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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF
NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed on September 13, 2002,
Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

RESPONSE

1. The present application was filed on January 4, 2002.

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2. On September 20, 2002, a Notification of Defective Response was received noting an application number of 10/019,797 and indicating that the number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation were not the same. A copy of the Notification of Defective Response is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
3. On October 7, 2002, this office spoke with Anita Johnson to discuss the Notification of Defective Response.
4. Anita Johnson acknowledged that the number of claims were the same.
5. During the telephone conference of October 7, 2002, Anita Johnson indicated that drawings with English translation were missing from the Application.
6. The translated drawings are enclosed herewith.

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CONCLUSION

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our deposit account #19-0120.

Respectfully submitted,
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